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Repair Café will be open Sept. 6 at First Congregational Church

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Roofus Hoffmann uses his woodworking skills to repair an item at the Repair Cafe. WINCHESTER NEWS STAFF PHOTO/JOYCE WESTNER

The following was submitted by the Repair Café:

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On Saturday, Sept. 6, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., the Repair Café will be open at First Congregational Church, 21 Church St.

The Repair Café is a joint non-profit collaborative initiative of First Congregational Church's Justice Ministry and Winchester Unitarian Society's Green Sanctuary and many local repair experts.

The central mission of Repair Café is to impart knowledge of making repairs and/or mending to the client. The purpose is to teach the client to mend and/or do the repair on their own.

Given the increased interest in Repair Café, the specialist is limited to helping the client within the allotted 1/2 hour appointment time. Repairs and/or mending that require more time will need to be finished by the client.

Please check the volunteer skills we can offer at this Repair Cafe and choose the one that matches the item you need to repair most closely. If you don't find the skill you need, enter what you'd like repaired in "not covered yet" box. The expert will show you how to repair your item, using their tools. You will learn the skills to finish repairing your object at home if we run out of time.

It would help us if you can indicate the type of repair you are bringing in, so we can be more prepared. For example, "torn seam in red dress" then we can have red thread available. "Old, faded jeans needing a patch" so we can have the right color patch handy.

Bring your repair questions! Email Karen Bellacosa at karen.repaircafewin@gmail.com for more questions.

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Winchester Foundation for Educational Excellence hosting 23rd Trivia Bee

Winchester's brightest fifth graders and adults will gather soon to compete in a fierce trivia competition that will raise money for Winchester schools. The Winchester Foundation for Educational Excellence (WFEE), a nonprofit that provides grants for Winchester's public schools, will host its 23rd annual trivia bee March 11

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Sen. Jason Lewis announces March office hours in Winchester

The following was submitted by the Office of Sen. Jason Lewis: State Sen. Jason Lewis will be holding Office Hours in Winchester on Monday, March 2, 2026, from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Winchester Public Library, 80 Washington St. Any Winchester resident is welcome to attend Office Hours,

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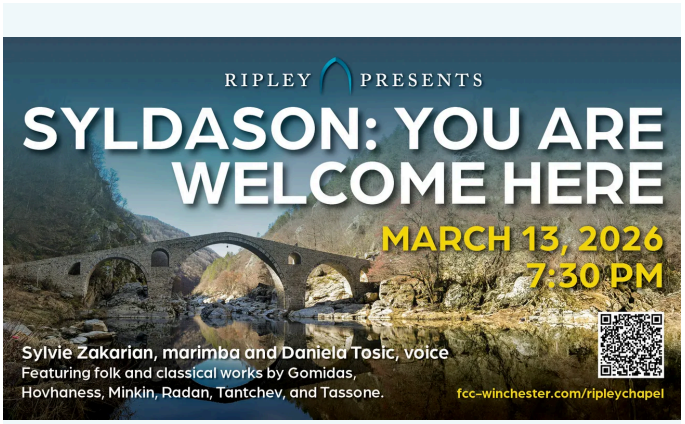
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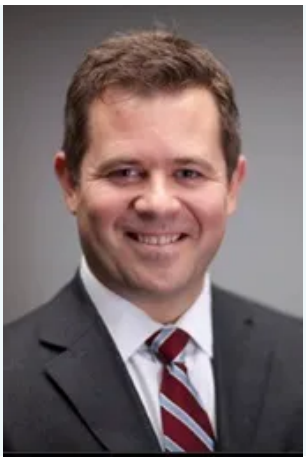

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Rep. Michael Day helps House colleagues pass sweeping energy affordability bill

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